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**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The sheet of drawings attached in the Appendix includes changes to Figs. 1, 5, 8 and 9.

These sheets replace the original sheets. The drawings have been changed as follows:

**Figure 1:**

both elements --3-- have been changed to "4,5" respectively  
one of the elements --2-- has been changed to "3"  
element --6-- has been changed to "13"  
element --7-- has been changed to "14"  
element --8-- has been changed to "29"  
both elements --9-- have been changed to "15,16" respectively  
element --10-- has been changed to "28"  
element --11-- has been changed to "30"  
element --12-- has been changed to "27"  
element --13-- has been changed to "26"  
element --14-- has been changed to "17"

**Figure 5:**

The lead line for element 20 has been corrected.

**Figure 9:**

The lead lines for elements 1 and 20 have been corrected.

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### **REMARKS**

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and following remarks. Claim 1 has been amended editorially and to incorporate limitations recited in allowable claim 2. Claims 3-10 have been amended editorially. Claim 2 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 11-19 are new. New claim 11 incorporates limitations recited in original claim 1 and allowable claim 6. New claims 12-19 track claims 2-5 and 7-10 respectively. No new matter has been added. Claims 1 and 3-19 are pending.

Applicant hereby submits a Supplemental Application Data Sheet indicating the present application does not claim priority to TO2002A000189, filed on March 6, 2002.

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-4 and 6.

### **Drawings Objections**

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because reference characters from Figure 1 have been used to designate different parts in subsequent Figures. Applicant submits herewith replacement sheets 1-2 for Figures 1-10, correcting reference character designations and lead lines. No new matter has been added. Withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested. Applicant asserts that the objection to the drawings has been overcome.

### **Specification**

The specification has also been amended to correspond with amendments made to the reference characters of Figure 1. No new matter has been added.

### **Claim Objections**

Claim 8 is objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from another multiple dependent claim. In particular, claim 8 depends from both claim 7 and claim 5, making a multiple dependent claim. Claim 8 has been amended to incorporate limitations recited in claim 5 and to depend from claim 7.

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Applicant asserts that the objection has been overcome. Withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

**Claim rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claims 7, 9 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the applicant regards as the invention. Claim 7 has been amended to correct antecedent basis and to delete double inclusion of subject matter previously recited. Claims 9 and 10 have also been amended to correct antecedent basis. Applicant asserts that the indefiniteness rejections have been overcome. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

**Claim rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102**

Claims 1, 5 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tigges (US 5,253,688).

Claim 1 has been amended and incorporates limitations recited in allowable claim 2. For at least these reasons, Tigges fails to anticipate claim 1 or render the limitations of claim 1 obvious. Applicant asserts that claim 1 is allowable. Therefore, withdrawal of this rejection with regard to independent claim 1, as well as claims 5 and 7 that depend therefrom, is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kapaan et al (US 6,315,457).

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate limitations recited in allowable claim 2. For at least these reasons, Kapaan fails to anticipate claim 1 or render the limitations of claim 1 obvious. Applicant asserts that claim 1 is allowable. Therefore, withdrawal of this rejection with regard to independent claim 1 is respectfully requested.

**New Claims**

New claim 11 incorporates limitations recited in original claim 1 and allowable claim 6. For at least these reasons independent claim 11, as well as claims 12-19 that

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depend therefrom, are also allowable.

Applicant asserts that the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration in the form of a notice of allowance is requested. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Gregory A. Sebald, Reg. No. 33,280, at (612) 336.4728.



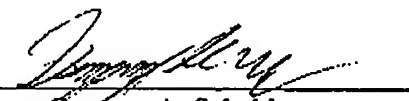
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